Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claim 2 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein said information card is a non-contact type information card for transmitting/receiving said money data to/from the plurality of electronic money terminals without any contact with the electronic money terminals.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein when said utilization-history data of any of said plurality of electronic money terminals has been lost, said electronic money management means employs the utilization-history data from the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein said electronic money management means makes a comparison of the contents of the plural data of utilization-histories which have been gathered from said respective electronic money terminals, and then performs a tabulation in a manner such that the plural utilization-history data which have coincided with each other at the comparison are treated as one utilization-history data.

Claims 5-9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (currently amended): An electronic money system comprising:
an information card for storing electronic money data and utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of the information card wherein the utilization-history data includes key version information;
a plurality of money depositing terminals for depositing the money data onto the information card;

a plurality of electronic money terminals for withdrawing the money data from the information card, each of the electronic money terminals operatively reading the utilization-history data when said electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card for authorization for withdrawing the money data; and

electronic money management means for gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals wherein the utilization-history data from each of the said plurality of electronic money terminals is processed within a specific electronic money terminal; wherein,

the gathering of the utilization-history data by the electronic money management means occurs independently of the reading of the utilization-history data and withdrawal of the electronic money data by the electronic money terminals, wherein the electronic money management means compares a first set of utilization-history data gathered from a first electronic money terminal with a second set of utilization-history data gathered from a second electronic money terminal, and wherein the first set of utilization-history data includes first data for a first transaction between the first electronic money terminal and the information card and the second set of utilization-history data includes second data for a second transaction between the second electronic money terminal and the information card.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A method for using money in an electronic money system comprising the steps of:

storing electronic money data directly onto an information card using a money depositing terminal and storing utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of the information card on the information card wherein the utilization-history data includes key version information;

reading the utilization-history data when electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card at any one of a plurality of electronic money terminals for authorization for withdrawing the money data;

gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals wherein the utilization-history data from each of the said plurality of electronic money terminals is processed within a specific electronic money terminal; wherein,

gathering of the utilization-history data by the electronic money management means occurs independently of the reading of the utilization-history data and withdrawal of the electronic money data by the electronic money terminals; and

comparing a first set of utilization-history data gathered from a first electronic money terminal with a second set of utilization-history data gathered from a second electronic money terminal, wherein the first set of utilization-history data includes first data for a first transaction between the first electronic money terminal and the information card and the second set of utilization-history data includes second data for a second transaction between the second electronic money terminal and the information card.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, wherein when said utilization-history data of any one of said plurality of electronic money terminals has been lost, the utilization-history data from the other electronic money terminals is employed.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

comparing the contents of the utilization-history data of the plurality of electronic money terminals which have been gathered, and performing a tabulation in a manner such that the plurality of utilization-history data which have coincided with each other when compared are treated as one utilization-history data.

Claims 14-15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (new): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein the utilization-history data includes communication assignment information, log type information, utilized date/time information, terminal number information, dialing money information, balance information and signature information.

Claim 17 (new): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein the signature information is specified with the key version information.

Claim 18 (new): The method as defined in claim 11, wherein the utilization-history data includes communication assignment information, log type information, utilized date/time

information, terminal number information, dialing money information, balance information and signature information.

Claim 19 (new): The method as defined in claim 11, wherein the signature information is specified with the key version information.